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SUBJECT: SOVIET BRIGADE IN CUBA

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IS IN FACT A SOVIET COMBAT LTHAT THERE BRIGADE IN CUBA. THE UNIT PROBABLY NUMBERS ABOUT 2.000 MEN AND APPEARS TO INCLUDE ARMOR, ARTILLERY. AND INFANTRY ELEMENTS AS WELL AS SUPPORT PERSONNE AT LEAST SOME ELEMENTS OF THE BRIGADE HAVE PROBABLY BEEN THERE SINCE AT LEAST 1976. WE ARE STILL UNCERTAIN ABOUT THE BRIGADE'S MISSION. 🛣

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